

Pray read from the first to the last Word in this present Case, Nicely and Attentively before giving your Judgment in it, and Judge not only of the long time most painfully past, but is, and is like to be for ever, if not help'd by your Honours Favour and Intercession. Every Man feels his own Pains and Troubles, and ought to know his own business best.

*A Malicious Man makes Reasons.*

To the Honourable Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses in Parliament Assembled,  
*The Humble Petition of Prince Butler: If he is a Fool, the Pope, and all the Kings, and Councils in their Council Chambers, and People in Europe are Fools, except King William, and ill persuaded, ignorant, malicious, or not People.*

S H E W E T H,

**T**HAT after arriving to *Rome*, he was Maintained by Prince *Pamphylian* in his House, wherein he was obliged to stay one Year in Chambers where Men look'd down through the Boards on his Actions, keeping noise like a Thunder above his head, at his going in and out, and a Catterwouling above his head after Mid-night, and making Dogs bark before his Window, purposely to hinder his Sleep every other Night; and he was derided, and despised by the Servants in Word, and Countenance, and threatned often to beat him with Sticks. After thence parting by his Excellency's Orders, he was expected on a Bridge in Night-time purposely to be Murdered, and he was dayly followed by men running before and after, a Whistling and Jearing at him, that he did not know how to do in the Streets; and another Night they intended to bring him out of his Lodgings by force to kill him, and he ordered the Preachers speak ill of him in *Rome*, and in the way in the Pulpits; thence he was followed to *Flanders*, by orders of the said Prince, coming to the Court of the Duke of *Villahermosa*, he was derided, and ill used by reason of the said men: Thence he was followed to *London* where he was villified with Aspersions to the *Spanish*, and *German* Ambassadors; likewise in the Duke of *Tork's* House he was illandred; and they made King *Charles the Second* say, *The Petitioners Brains were out of order*, and call him often a fool to his face; and they did not make him say Prince *Pamphylian* is the cause, and one Night they made the King say at Supper, *The Petitioner would be sent to Prison for two years time without knowing the Reason*, and one day after the Constables by the King's Order went to his House to bring him to Prison; and they kept men after Mid-night before his Window a Catterwouling, and Dogs a barking purposely to hinder his Sleep every other Night, and going in the Streets, or to Court, he was whistled and scoffed at, by reason of the said men. Thence he went, and gave this Petition often to the *Pope*, during five years, and his Holiness subscribed as often it will be considered; at last he desperately entred the House of this Prince, and gave him this Petition, and he promised not to order any Man to Persecute, Villifie with Aspersions, or trouble him for ever, and yet he broke his Word. Thence he went to Petition the Emperor of *Germany*: and he gave no Answer, because Prince *Pamphylian* Ordered to Villifie the Petitioner with Aspersions to him and his Court. Thence he went to Petition the *French* King, and he gave no Answer, because Prince *Pamphylian* Ordered to Backbite, and Villifie with Aspersions the Petitioner to him, and his Court. Thence he went to Petition the King of *Spain*, and because Prince *Pamphylian* Ordered to Backbite, and tell him the Petitioner is a Fool, he gave no Answer. Thence he went to Petition the King of *Portugal*, and because the Persecutors told him Shams and Lyes of the Petitioner, he gave no Answer. These Troubles may happen to any other Stranger, as to the Petitioner, by the Posterity of Prince *Pamphylian*, or by himself, being an usual Decree in that House, as it is said, for that reason it ought to be Published. The Petitioner writes the following Paragraph, not as begging Recommendation from his Majesty to the *Pope*, but to make known to the World what he pretends justly of Prince *Pamphylian*.

In Substance, the Petitioner prays your Honours, ill persuaded, scornful, disdainful, bribed, malicious, like his face, any or all of you in general or not, to desire his Majesty by an Address, by his Secretary, or Members of his Privy Council in your House, to send this Petition with himself to the *Pope*, and to all Princes and Cardinals in *Rome*, that they may force Prince *Pamphylian* Swear before his Holiness, the Publication of his ancient Household Decree in the Petitioners presence, and in presence of the said Princes and Cardinals, of such sort, that neither he, or his Posterity will use the said Decree against any Stranger, and leave the Petitioner in peace and quietnes, without persecuting or troubling him any more, and the said Prince may be obliged by force of Justice, to give the Petitioner, if not double, at least as much Money as willingly this Prince has spent in persecuting and troubling him always, during 24 years, Maintaining and making his Spies appear as Princes in the Courts of *England*, *France*, *Germany*, *Italy*, *Spain*, and *Portugal*, and in all them Voyages not daring to declare or tell any King or Justice their Reasons before the Petitioner. The Petitioner asketh at least as much as his Majesty of *England* the Emperor, the *French* King, the King of *Spain*, the King of *Portugal*, the *Pope*, or the Self-Justice will Judge the said Prince has spent during 24 years, or a Just, Reasonable, and Honourable Maintenance for ever. The Lords of Prince *Butler's* Name, are, 1. Duke of *Ormond*, 2. Earl of *Offory*, 3. Earl of *Arran*, 4. Earl of *Gorran*, 5. Lord *Thurles*, 6. Lord *Dunboyn*, 7. Lord *Caber*, 8. Lord *Ikeryn*, 9. Lord *Mongarret*, 10. Lord *Galmoy*.

The Petitioner prays to be heard at your Bar, and he prays your Honours, ill persuaded scornful, malicious, like his face, any or all of you in general or not; the King's Secretary, or Members of his Privy Council in your House, besides his request in the Title of this Case, to give or not give him a Certificate of all the Villanies and Shams, you may or shall hear reported of him, by Orders of Prince *Pamphylian* to the King or your selves, without saying any thing to the contrary.

The Petitioner makes use of the following Certificates not as true or false, but to prove his Complaint to be true, and to have been persecuted in all the said Courts in Christendom by Orders of Prince Pamphylion.

The Queen of Spain's Certificate.

I Do Certifie that the Queen did Order me to give this present Certificate to Prince Butler, to serve him as a Witness against all the Opinions that Prince Pamphylion was willing to give publickly of his Foolishness; and I do Certifie that he has given a thousand signs of his Ingenuity mighty good, as it may be seen by the Certificate he has obtained of the King. I the Queen. Marquis of Villamaina Gentleman of Horse; de Villemont, Gentleman of Horse, Don Joseph Pacheco, y Sapata her Majesty's Secretary, the Earl of Portellano, her Majesty's Steward.

The Infanta of Portugal's Certificate.

I Do Certifie by Orders of this Kingdom of Portugal, altogether, that Prince Pamphylion writ to the Secretary of State, that Prince Butler is half an Ass, half a Man, and half a Woman; a Fool, a Kisser behind, a Thief, a False and Dissembled, Confident, diminish'd of Judgment, a Cuckold kist behind, a Bastard, and Impertinent, that he has unty'd his Drawers, giving place to the Winds before and behind; and all this was done to the Prince Pamphylion, and for addition I say more, that it was also said in behalf of the said Prince, that the said Prince Butler has with whom to sleep at Nights, who gives him Cravat-strings, and by orders of the said Prince, I was much wetted in Salvaterra, Catterwouling often after me, Meao, Meao, Meao, and Anthony Baptist had great Pains proceeding from the Poyson, by order of the Prince, for being Prince Butler's Friend, and for proof of all they gave him two Glisters without doing him good. Infanta, the Duke of Cadaval, the Earl of Caltanheira, the Earl of Pontevel, the Earl of Aveiras.

The King of Spain's Certificate.

Understanding that Prince Butler has been Villified with Aspersions, by Orders of his Enemy Prince Pamphylion, that he is out of Judgment, and Mad, purposely to discredit his Talent, and that he may not be deservedly esteemed in his pretensions. We do Certifie, that in the busineses which he spoke of unto us in Court, we have known in this Gentleman much Capacity, Talent, and good Judgment, adorned with equal Wisdom and Attention, for what reason we do not find him undeserved of any Merits equal to his good Parts, but rather we think him much worthy and well deserved, judging he will give a most good account of all that will be left to his Charge; and because he desired we give this present Certificate to his demand, signed by our hand in Madrid. I the King, and we the Marquis of Castelnovo, and Mr. Sebastian de Vivanco do Certifie, That the said Prince Butler in the busines which he has treated with us, we have made Experience of his sound Judgment and good Parts; and that it was an Emulation of his Enemy Prince Pamphylion, all which, in contrary to this that is said, and them we sign: Marquis of Castelnovo his Majesty's Steward, Don Sebastian de Vivanco his Majesty's Secretary.

Pray consider Prince Pamphylion's bad intention, with attention following.

The Earl of Stable's Pages told Prince Butler, that Prince Pamphylion said, that the said Prince Butler cannot gain of him but in a Council, and that they be both together to tell their Reasons to the said Council, and that he will not go to Council with him, and that he will not cease to tell his Shams and Aspersions to all men of him, and that he would make him stay in Madrid a long time, and that he would order to persecute him all his Life time; so they told him, he said he will not order to kill him with a Pistol or Sword, but kill him Civilly with a Wooden-knife, and bad Languages, publishing him for a Mad-man, and a Kisser behind, and if it happens that he will die before Prince Butler, Prince Pamphylion is to leave in his Testament to his Son, that he may order to persecute the said Prince Butler, and make no esteem of him, but rather dispraise him as a troublesom Mad-man, and a Kisser behind, and keep him always poor.

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